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Inventor: Dieter GIRLICH et al.  
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Examiner:

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To: Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
**Submission of Formal Drawings**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please replace the two sheets of informal drawings originally filed with the application with two sheets of formal drawings, enclosed herewith. No new subject matter has been introduced with the formal drawings.

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application and, thus, no payment of additional fees is required.

Respectfully submitted,

May 16, 2002

Enclosed:  
Formal Drawings (2 sheets)

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